

Imaginative play

Providing children with simple materials allows them to create, imagine and explore lots of ideas freely. Cardboard boxes/tubes, yoghurt tubs, paper, material and clothes can all be used to create imaginative worlds, toys and objects which allow children to develop fine and gross motor skills alongside problem solving skills too. Imaginative play covers all aspects of the curriculum. The ideas are endless!



Create a puppet theatre. Create characters. Perform a play. Write a script. Make a programme for your play. Make a poster to advertise your performance.

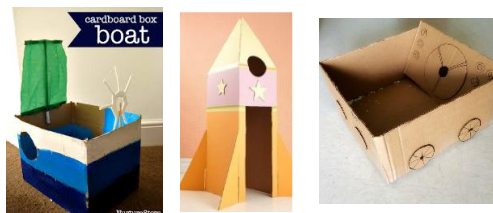
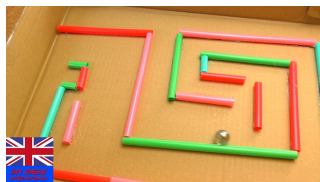
How to make a cereal box puppet theatre

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N4kTNLmA>

Use a shoe box to make your own pizza oven. Create your own pizzas with your favourite toppings. Create a menu for your pizza business. Write a recipe for a pizza.

How to make a pizza oven

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AwzaWA2nJ4Y>

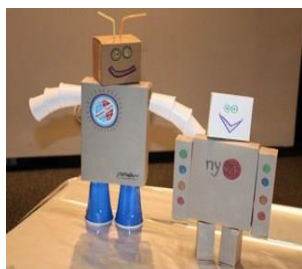


Make your own maze. Time how fast the balls travel through your maze. Can you adapt your maze to make the balls travel faster or slower?

How to make a cardboard maze

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-4kkveg7j90>

Create your own boat, rocket, car etc. Go on an imaginary adventure. Act out your adventure for your family.









Make cereal box robots. How many parts can you make move? Create a comic strip about your robot.

How to make a cereal box robot

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HbqFBv572mM>

Outdoor Learning

The outdoors provides a wealth of opportunities to learn. The ideas below are simple suggestions to support learning across curricular areas, children will come up with many more of their own! Being outdoors regularly each day will also support physical and emotional wellbeing.

	<p>Go on a mini beast hunt. Count the number of mini beasts you find and record using tally marks. Create a graph to show your findings. Carefully observe and draw your favourite mini beast. Create and label a diagram of a mini beast. Create a mini beast hotel.</p>
	<p>Create your own building with mud bricks. Using three parts dirt to two parts water, set the mixture in an ice-cube tray, leave to dry in the sun and then build structures in the garden with the bricks. Can you build a bridge with your mud bricks? How many stones will it support?</p>
	<p>Be an artist. Use water to draw on the pavements. Explore different techniques, splashing, flicking, brushing. Draw pictures and your shadow with chalk.</p>
	<p>Explore your local area with an adult. Observe and draw different buildings. Can you complete the daily mile as you explore?</p>
	<p>Build a den with natural resources. Read stories with and to your family in the den.</p>
	<p>Talk with family and friends about games they used to play outside. Try playing these together as a family. Invent new family games to play outside.</p>

